

**Mount Vernon
City Council
Study Session
January 6, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Boudreau at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Mayor Boudreau, Councilmembers Fiedler, Lindquist, Molenaar, Ragan, Hudson and Hulst

Absent: Councilmember Quam

Staff Present: Engineering Manager Chesterfield, Police Chief Dodd, City Attorney Rogerson, Finance Director Huschka, Human Resources Director Bartlett, Public Works Director Bell, Community Development Director Hyde

Citizens Present: Six

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Committee Report – Public Safety: for details please see Committee Report minutes.
- B. Community Comments: None
- C. Approval of December 15, 2015 payroll checks numbered 104694-105006, and direct deposit checks numbered 53781-53984, and wire transfers numbered 547-548 in the amount of \$718,017.79.

Councilmember Ragan moved to approve the December 15, 2015 payroll checks numbered 104694-105006, and direct deposit checks numbered 53781-53984, and wire transfers numbered 547-548 in the amount of \$718,017.79. Motion seconded by Councilmember Fiedler. Motion carried 6-0.

- D. Approval of December 23, 2015 claims numbered 142741-142968 in the amount of \$906,754.84.

Councilmember Lindquist moved to approve December 23, 2015 claims numbered 142741-142968 in the amount of \$906,754.84. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hulst. Motion carried 6-0.

- E. Election of Mayor Pro Tempore: City Council must elect from among their number a mayor pro tempore who, in case of the absence, death or disability of the Mayor, shall perform the duties of the Mayor.

Councilmember Hulst moved to elect Councilmember Lindquist as Mayor Pro Tempore. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 6-0.

- F. Parked Rail Cars Briefing: Chief Hari briefed Council about the rail cars parked near Freeway Drive. He stated that the cars being stored are empty and are using the space as storage.
- G. Acceptance of Work on Kincaid Holdings Roof Project: Mr. Prosser presented Council with a request to accept the work completed by Weatherguard, Inc. on the Kincaid Holdings Roof Project. The project was completed in July 2015.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to accept the work completed by Weatherguard, Inc. Motion seconded by Councilmember Fiedler. Motion carried 6-0.

- H. Approval of Agreement- Department of Ecology: Mr. Chesterfield presented Council with a request to authorize the Mayor to enter into an interagency agreement with the Department of Ecology to have the Washington Conservation Corp (WCC) perform vegetation maintenance of drainage facilities. The WCC crew would work for up to ten weeks for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

Councilmember Hulst moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Department of Ecology. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lindquist. Motion carried 6-0.

- I. Purchase of Hydromatic Pump: Mr. Chesterfield requested that Council authorize the sole source purchase of a 25 HP Hydromatic Pump Model S8LX2500FA from Pump Tech Inc. in the amount of \$24,602.38. Last month one of the 2 pumps failed and needed to be replaced as soon as possible, and as the City does not have a spare pump, ordering this pump was urgent.

Councilmember Ragan moved to approve the purchase of the Hydromatic Pump as outlined above in the amount of \$24,602.38. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lindquist. Motion carried 6-0.

- J. Interlocal Agreement with Skagit County Senior Services: Ms. Huschka presented Council with a request to authorize the Mayor to enter into an interlocal agreement with Skagit County Senior Services for the year 2016, in which the City shall pay the County for provision of services totaling \$53,856.

Councilmember Lindquist moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an interlocal agreement with Skagit County Senior Services. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 6-0.

- K. AWC Legislative Priorities: Mayor Boudreau reviewed and discussed with Council, the City's 2016 legislative priorities that will be presented during the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Legislative Action Days. Specific priorities discussed: Public Records Act Reform, Fiscal Sustainability, Emergency Responsiveness, Infrastructure, Human Services & Housing and Forest Practice in UGA's. Mayor Boudreau said she would bring the revised draft priorities back next week for final review.

The meeting was convened into Executive Session at 8:19pm and was estimated to last 25 minutes.

- L. Executive Session: Pending litigation, real estate purchase and collective bargaining

The meeting was reconvened at 8:44pm.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:44pm.

SUBMITTED BY:

Morgan Morrison, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Alicia D. Huschka, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Jill Boudreau, Mayor